REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This Amendment responds to the Office Action dated July 27, 2009, in which the Examiner rejected claims 1-6, 8-17 and 19-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

As indicated above, claims 1, 8, 13 and 19-21 have been amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which the Applicants regard as the invention. Applicants respectfully bring the Examiner's attention to page 17, lines 12-28, page 18, lines 5-12, page 28, line 29 through page 29, line 19 and pages 41-45 for the support of the claimed invention. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the rejection to claims 1-6, 8-17 and 19-21 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Thus, it now appears that the application is in condition for a reconsideration and allowance. Reconsideration and allowance at an early date are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner find that the application is not now in condition for allowance, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner enters this Amendment for purposes of appeal.

CONCLUSION

If for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed within the currently set shortened statutory period, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

In the event that any additional fees are due with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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